



# FRIDAY NEWSLETTER

My Iman Montessori  
Cedar Rapids, Iowa

Friday, November 4<sup>th</sup>

## My Iman Friday Newsletter

### Science and Geography

Last week we continued talking about space. We talked about Saturn (the ringed planet), Uranus (its blue and has 15 moons and 11 rings around it), Neptune (Methane gas makes it blue, it also has a great Dark Spot), Pluto (some people say Pluto is not longer a planet, it is the farthest away from the sun), and last we talked about our planet Earth (we breathe air and have gravity).

This week we talked about the lithosphere (land). We talked about volcanoes, mountains, drifting continents, and minerals. We were able to look and touch different types of rocks.



Counting activity

### Math and Language

Students are practicing writing their first and last names. Children are continuing to work with their letters. Children are beginning to write sentences and then they are drawing a picture about their sentence. Some students are even writing stores. Children's work is displayed on the bulletin board in the hall. **We have a new program called *Handwriting Without Tears* that will help the students with writing skills.**

The students were introduced to the symbols + (plus) , = (equals) , - (minus). Some students are also working on ones, tens, hundreds, and thousands. Some children are working with money, and we are also counting by fives and tens as a class.

### Arabic/ Islamic Studies

Mashallah the Arabic program is going very well. The children are enjoying naming all the different things around them, like books, boxes, clothing, etc. We are also learning about the months, days, and weather vocabulary. For the next three weeks, we are going to learn to name the different parts of the torso. In Islamic Studies, I've been teaching the children about the names of the Quran, like Al Kitab, Al Huda, Al Furqan, etc., and each of the name's meanings .

Quran, we've been practicing every day and trying to work individually with each student based on his or her level.

-Assalamu Allaykum

-Karima

### Practical Life and Sensorial

The students continue working on the activities: hammer and nail, pouring water, scooping, mixing colors, measuring, sorting, puzzles, pink towers, sink or float activities, broad stairs, and knobbls cylinders.

*"Teach what you love. Love what you teach."*

# Pajama Day

Measuring activity



Hammer and nails



Watching an Educational Arabic movie



Playing outside



Putti  
order



## Highlights

- The fire department came and talked to us.
- We made the earth and stars with coffee filters.
- We made the planets
- We explored rocks
- We made pet rocks
- We watched an Arabic movie on Pajama day

## Reminders to Students

- Remember we use our quiet voices in the classroom and our loud voices in the gym!

### Working on numbers



## Upcoming Events

- No School November 7th
- Early dismissal November 9<sup>th</sup>
- Parent Teacher Conferences November 14<sup>th</sup>- 18<sup>th</sup>
- We will be having a pot luck/ family luncheon November 17<sup>th</sup> at 11:45am. Please bring a dish to share.

## Reminders to Parents

Please bring gloves and hats everyday for your child.

Remember to look in your child's backpack every night.

We need the following supplies for school activities please:

1. Colored pencils
2. Extra gloves for those who forget.

### Writing activity

